

peaceful and harmonious development of Southeastern Europe. However, until that time comes, our Congress and the international community must avoid the temptation to bend the rules for Belgrade and must hold FRY to the same high standards that have been rightly required of other countries in the area.

On behalf of the National Albanian American Council,

RICHARD LUKAJ,  
Chairman, Board of Trustees.

#### HONORING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF MR. LES CAMPBELL

##### HON. JOHN W. OLVER

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 19, 2002

Mr. OLVER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the public service contributions of Mr. Les Campbell of Belchertown, MA. Mr. Campbell's work as a nature and wildlife photographer is well known in Massachusetts' First District and throughout New England. In addition to founding several photography organizations and serving as an active or honorary member of countless others, Mr. Campbell is a tireless resource for the young photographers with whom he enjoys sharing his knowledge. Mr. Campbell, now retired, was a lifelong government employee at the Quabbin Reservoir. He has been a champion for keeping that magnificent body of water untouched by development.

On March 29, 2002 The Valley Portfolio, a community photographic resource center in Springfield, MA will present to Mr. Campbell a lifetime achievement award at a reception. On this day, members of our community will gather to celebrate his contributions and accomplishments. Mr. Campbell's awards and citations could fill a gallery. He may be the only photographer ever to receive four awards from the Photographic Society of America: (1) the Buxton Award (1958) as the world's leading exhibitor of nature prints that year, (2) the Stuyvescent Peabody Award (1972) as "the PSA member who has contributed the most to pictorial photography," (3) the Victor H. Scales award (1973) for "diligent and meritorious service to photography and the Society and especially for his untiring efforts to teach and interest young people in photography and the arts," and (4) the Appreciation Award (1981), the Society's highest award and the only one selected by its officers.

Mr. Campbell's organizational skills are legendary among those who have served alongside him in the various clubs and organizations he founded to which he belonged. In 1967 he originated Focus: Outdoors, an annual three-day environmental conference that drew as many as 1,000 participants. Mr. Campbell was named an honorary member of the New England Camera Club Council in 1968, that organization's highest award.

As president of the New England Camera Club Council he took a sleepy organization with only 13 member clubs and increased that number to 83, increased the council's treasury from less than \$25 to more than \$7,000, and created a weekend conference at the University of Massachusetts that grew from 300 to 2,000 participants in five years.

Most recently, Mr. Campbell began the Pioneer Valley Photographic Artists, a group of

talented photographers committed to elevating photography's role as a fine art.

Mr. Campbell's skills also extend to the mechanical side of photography. He invented the Vis-0-Tray slide storage and editing system in the 1960s to facilitate organizing slides for presentations. To photograph water skiers, he created a special platform on the towboat that has since been copied by other photographers.

Mr. Speaker, I take this opportunity to thank Mr. Les Campbell for his creative and positive influence on the art of photography in our community.

#### GILMAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

##### HON. BENJAMIN A. GILMAN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 19, 2002

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to inform my colleagues of the success of the Gilman International Scholarship Program established to benefit low income college students receiving benefits in its first year of operation. Our Scholarship Program sponsored by the United States Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs and administered by Institute of International Education, encourages American students to study abroad by providing specified grants. This is an opportunity to gain knowledge and experience first hand that they may not have otherwise due to the costs.

In the 2001–2002 academic year 302 awards were made to students from among 2,771 applicants from 44 states plus Puerto Rico. The awards were split with 68 percent going to semester long programs, 24 percent to academic year programs, and 8 percent to quarter and other programs. These numbers by themselves are impressive, however, when they are combined with the number of states and institutions represented it gets even better. These students represent 172 different colleges, universities, and community colleges. I am proud that this Scholarship Program has reached such a broad cross-section of eligible students. Moreover, it is gratifying that 32 percent of that cross-section represents minority students.

Our Scholarship Program is placing students in countries other than the more traditional Western Europe states. I am happy to note that only 41 percent of our students have studied in Western Europe. Asia and Oceania drew 28 percent of our participants and the Western Hemisphere drew 17 percent. The remaining 14 percent chose either Africa, Eastern Europe, the Middle East, or had a program that allowed them to travel to multiple regions. It is gratifying that with the world opening to them these participants chose to take advantage of it and study in every region available to them. The idea of an open world also carries over to the fields of study represented. There are 41 different fields represented between the 4 different programs offered.

The I.I.E and State Department have admirably implemented this program, and the reward is with the number of students seeking to participate. With such interest, I hope our scholarship will continue to grow to provide more students with this excellent opportunity.

BENJAMIN A. GILMAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM STATISTICAL OVERVIEW: ACADEMIC YEAR 2002

Total applications received: 2771.

Total awards: 302.

Home States represented: 39 plus DC and PR.

Institutions represented: 170.

Destination countries: 41.

\$5000 awards given 261

\$3000 awards given 41

#### LENGTH OF STUDY ABROAD

Semester: 69%.

Academic/full year: 25%.

#### ETHNICITY (AS REPORTED BY APPLICANT)

Asian or Pacific Islander: 12%.

Black/Non-Hispanic: 11%.

Hispanic: 8%.

White: 55%.

Other: 5%.

No answer given: 9%.

#### WORLD REGION DISTRIBUTION (USING COUNTRY OF DESTINATION)

Africa: 8%.

Asia and Oceania: 29%.

Middle East: 1%.

Europe(including Russia & NIS): 42%.

Western Hemisphere: 20%.

#### GENDER

Female: 72%.

Male: 28%.

#### LEVEL OF STUDY

Freshman: 1%.

Sophomore: 10%.

Junior: 53%.

Senior: 36%.

#### REPRESENTATIVE CAPPS RE- MARKS TO THE AMERICAN MED- ICAL ASSOCIATION

##### HON. JOHN D. DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 19, 2002

Mr. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I want to pay tribute to the skill, tenacity, and leadership of our colleague and my friend, Rep. LOIS CAPPS. I have served with many fine people over the course of my career in the House of Representatives and she is among the best. She fights every day for the people of her district, and for causes that affect virtually every member of our society. She does this with great skill and even greater courage. I have come to admire her strength, compassion, commitment, and drive. It is with great respect and affection that I request that a copy of her recent remarks to the American Medical Association be included in the Record. I recommend that all of my colleagues read them with great care.

STATEMENT OF REP. LOIS CAPPS, AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE, MARCH 10, 2002

#### OPENING

Thank you very much for inviting me here to speak today. It is an honor to spend some time with my colleagues in health care.

I have been asked to speak to you about the Democratic Party's agenda on health care.

But I am not sure there should be a separate "Democratic" or "Republican" agenda on health.

Though politics often suffuses the debate about health care, we should not come at this issue from a political perspective.